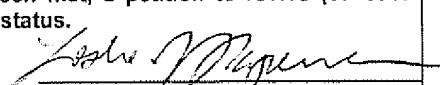


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| Form PTO-1390  | U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE<br>PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br>P29985                 |
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES<br>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)<br>CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371   |  | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR<br>1.5) |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br>PCT/JP2005/002330   | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE<br>16 February 2005              | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED<br>17 February 2004          |
| TITLE OF INVENTION<br>GENERALLY OVAL BATTERY   |  |  |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US<br>Masatomo NAGATANI and Tatsuya HASHIMOTO   |  |  |
| <p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (23) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (PCT Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. .371(c)(4)).<br/>                 "Executed"             </li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol> <p>Items 11 to 22 below concern other document(s) or information included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. Assignee: Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. of Osaka, Japan.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>13. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment.<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.</li> <li>15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> Figure of Drawing to be published:</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.</li> <li>20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4).</li> <li>21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4).</li> <li>22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:<br/>                 International Application as published (in Japanese).<br/>                 PCT/ISA/210 (in English &amp; Japanese).<br/>                 PCT/RO/101 PCT Request (in Japanese).<br/>                 PCT/IB/304.<br/>                 PCT/IB/308.             </li> </ol> |  |  |

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| <b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>   |              |   | <b>\$900.00</b>                    |                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½ .  |              |   | \$                                 |                 |
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| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property   |              |   | \$                                 |                 |
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